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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Holger AUCHTER et al.

Title: CLAMP FOR FASTENING AND CONNECTING TUBES

Appl. No.: 10/538,884

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371(c) Date: 6/14/2005

Examiner: David BOCHNA

Art Unit: 3679

Confirmation No. 8845

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

Small Entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a previous assertion of Small Entity status.

Assertion of Small Entity status is enclosed.

The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

	Claims		Extra			Additional
	As	Previously	Claims	Rate	Claims Fee	
	Amended	Paid For	Present			
Total Claims:	17	-	20	=	0	<input type="checkbox"/> \$50.00 = \$0.00
Independent Claims:	2	-	3	=	0	<input type="checkbox"/> \$210.00 = \$0.00

First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims: +	\$370.00	=	\$0.00
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CLAIMS FEE TOTAL	=	\$0.00
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[] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

[] Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$120.00	\$0.00
[] Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$460.00	\$0.00
[] Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$1,050.00	\$0.00
[] Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,640.00	\$0.00
[] Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,230.00	\$0.00
EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:		
[] Statutory Disclaimer Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.20(d):	\$130.00	\$0.00
CLAIMS, EXTENSION AND DISCLAIMER FEE TOTAL:		
[] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):		\$0.00
Extension Fees Previously Paid:		
TOTAL FEE: \$0.00		

If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated November 9, 2007, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: